

*Amendments to the Claims*

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) A method comprising:

determining, by a remote control, a last channel to which a television was tuned prior to the television being turned off;

determining, by the remote control, whether the last channel tuned to prior to being turned off was a radio frequency remodulated (RF-remodulated) channel via a media center set-top box;

if the last channel was an RF-remodulated channel, then sending, from the remote control, a signal to the media center set-top box to indicate that the television is on line with the RF-remodulated channel;

if a tuner in the media center set-top box is not available for the television, then receiving at the remote control, from the media center set-top box, an indication identifying a cable channel that was most recently RF-remodulated for transmission on the RF-remodulated channel for the television; and

automatically changing the television with the remote control to the identified cable channel to satisfy expectations of a user when the tuner is not available for the television,  
wherein the remote control is separate from the media center set-top box.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, further comprising:  
receiving, by the remote control, a channel up signal; and  
changing the television to an adjacent cable channel one above the cable channel with the remote control.
6. (previously presented) The method of claim 4, further comprising:  
receiving, by the remote control, a channel down signal; and  
changing the television to an adjacent cable channel one below the cable channel with the remote control.
7. (currently amended) A system, comprising:  
a television;  
a remote control coupled to the television; and  
a media center set-top box, wherein the remote control determines a last channel to which the television was tuned prior to the television being turned off, wherein the remote control determines whether the last channel tuned to prior to being turned off was a radio frequency remodulated (RF-remodulated) channel, wherein the remote control sends a signal to the media

center set-top box to indicate that the television is on line with the RF-remodulated channel if the last channel was a RF-remodulated channel, wherein the remote control receives an indication from the media center set-top box, the indication identifying a cable channel that was most recently RF-remodulated for transmission on the RF-remodulated channel for the television if a tuner in the media center set-top box is not available for the television, and wherein the remote control automatically changes the television to the identified cable channel to satisfy expectations of a use when the tuner is not available for the television,  
wherein the remote control is separate from the media center set-top box.

8. (original) The system of claim 7, wherein the remote control receives a channel up signal, and wherein the remote control changes the television to an adjacent cable channel one above the cable channel.
9. (original) The system of claim 7, wherein the remote control receives a channel down signal, and wherein the remote control changes the television to an adjacent cable channel one below the cable channel.
10. (canceled)
11. (canceled)

12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A ~~computer-readable~~ non-transitory medium comprising  
~~a device~~ containing instructions which, when executed by a processing  
system, cause the processing system to perform a method, the method  
comprising:

determining, by a remote control, a last channel to which a television was  
tuned prior to the television being turned off;

determining, by the remote control, whether the last channel tuned to prior  
to being turned off was a radio frequency remodulated (RF-remodulated)  
channel via a media center set-top box;

if the last channel was an RF-remodulated channel, then sending, from the  
remote control, a signal to the media center set-top box to indicate that the  
television is on line with the RF-remodulated channel;

if a tuner in the media center set-top box is not available for the television,  
then receiving at the remote control, from the media center set-top box, an  
indication, the indication identifying a cable channel that was most recently  
RF-remodulated for transmission on the RF-remodulated channel for the  
television; and

automatically changing the television with the remote control to the  
identified cable channel to satisfy expectations of a user when the tuner is not  
available for the television,

wherein the remote control is separate from the media center set-top box.

14. (currently amended) The ~~computer-readable~~ non-transitory medium of claim

13, further comprising:

receiving, by the remote control, a channel up signal; and

changing the television to an adjacent cable channel one above the cable channel with the remote control.

15. (currently amended) The ~~computer-readable~~ non-transitory medium of claim

13, further comprising:

receiving, by the remote control, a channel down signal; and

changing the television to an adjacent cable channel one below the cable channel with the remote control.

16. (currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

a remote control, wherein the remote control determines a last channel to which the television was tuned prior to the television being turned off, wherein the remote control determines whether the last channel tuned to prior to being turned off was a radio frequency remodulated (RF-remodulated) channel via a media center set-top box, wherein the remote control sends a signal to the media center set-top box to indicate that the television is on line with the RF-remodulated channel if the last channel was a RF-remodulated channel, wherein the remote control receives an indication from the media center set-top box, the indication identifying a cable channel that was most

recently RF-remodulated for transmission on ~~the RF-remodulated channel~~ for the television if a tuner in the media center set-top box is not available for the television, and wherein the remote control automatically changes the television to the identified cable channel to satisfy expectations of a use when the tuner is not available for the television,  
wherein the remote control is separate from the media center set-top box.

17. (original) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the remote control receives a channel up signal, and wherein the remote control changes the television to an adjacent cable channel one above the cable channel.
18. (original) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the remote control receives a channel down signal, and wherein the remote control changes the television to an adjacent cable channel one below the cable channel.